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SPECIAL SCIENCE EVENT



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Dear Friend:

Please join me for an exciting program I am sponsoring on Tuesday, April 4, at Dominion High School in Sterling featuring Dr. Robert Ballard, the renowned oceanographer who discovered the *RMS Titanic* shipwreck.

Dr. Ballard will share some of his notable deep-sea discoveries and discuss how scientists can help motivate students by bringing the thrill of discovery and exploration into the classroom.

This free program is being held in conjunction with Loudoun County Public Schools' new Academy of Science, which provides a unique learning experience for area high school students interested in science and technology. It starts at 7 p.m. and is open to the public. Please invite your family, friends and neighbors to attend.

In addition to his role as explorer-in-residence at the National Geographic Society, Dr. Ballard is the founder and chairman of The JASON Project, a national educational program that uses advanced technology to virtually take students on scientific explorations to better teach them math and science. The curriculum was developed in collaboration with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), NASA and other leading institutions. The House subcommittee which I chair funds many of the federal government's science-related programs and agencies, including The JASON Project, NOAA, NASA and the National Science Foundation (NSF).

I am working with the NSF to develop more innovative and exciting programs like The JASON Project to heighten interest in the sciences for K-12 students. Few realize that the United States is graduating far fewer scientists and engineers than our competitors in Asia and Europe; published research by Americans is lagging, and the number of Nobel Prizes won by Americans is down. These trends—along with slumping science test scores of American students—should be setting off alarm bells, especially as more high-tech products, and the high-tech jobs behind them, are located elsewhere. I want to do everything possible to ensure that our children have the tools they need to succeed in the ever expanding world marketplace and that America remains strong and secure, as well as the world's leader when it comes to innovation and technology.

I hope you will join me for this exciting program on April 4.

Sincerely,

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Congressman Frank Wolf • Special Science Event

Come Explore the RMS Titanic Shipwreck



Dr. Robert Ballard

Congressman Frank Wolf, in conjunction with the Loudoun County Public Schools' Academy of Science, invites you to spend an evening with Dr. Robert Ballard, explorer-in-residence at the National Geographic Society and discoverer of the *RMS Titanic* shipwreck.

***Tuesday, April 4
7 p.m.***

***Dominion High School
21326 Augusta Drive, Sterling***

Dr. Ballard will describe some of his notable deep-sea discoveries as well as how scientists can motivate students by bringing the thrill of discovery and exploration into the classroom.

Students of all ages and their parents are invited. Nearly 1,000 people attended a similar program at a Herndon Middle School in 2004. The program is free.

***For ticket information, contact Congressman Wolf's
Herndon office at (703) 709-5800 or online at
www.house.gov/wolf***



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